

# Michigan State Police

## ***Crash Advisory # 12***



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### **While in transport, a wheel on a truck catches on fire. Is this reported on a UD-10?**

If the fire occurs in or on, any part of a road vehicle while in transport on a roadway, resulting in death, injury or property damage of \$1000 or more, it should be reported on a UD-10. This type of occurrence is defined as a non-collision crash, which is any road vehicle crash other than a collision crash. **Refer to Section 2.6.3 of the ANSI D-16.1-1996 Manual on Classification of Motor Vehicle Traffic Accidents, Sixth Edition.** <http://nsc.org/mem/htsd.htm>

### **If an object such as a shovel or television set falls from a motor vehicle in transport and strikes or is struck by another unit, should I report this to Lansing on a UD-10 Crash Report?**

YES! If a vehicle sets in motion an object (such as a stone, a piece of metal, loose tire, snow/ice from a vehicle or other debris) which damages another vehicle, this is a two-unit crash. It is very likely you may have very little or no information about the vehicle, which initially set the object in motion. Even though there was not direct contact between the vehicles, an object was set in motion, which made contact and caused damage. When a motor vehicle in transport on a roadway is involved in a crash that results in death, injury or property damage of \$1000 or more, the incident should be reported on a UD-10 form. Make certain to record driver information on all drivers, if available. Do not make this crash a Hit and Run.

### **Deliberate Intent**

Advisory #10 defines a traffic crash according to the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) Manual. The advisory then refers to Michigan criteria, but does not mention Deliberate Intent. This has caused some confusion and questions being asked by officers, whether a crash involving Deliberate Intent should be recorded on a UD-10 crash report form. **If it is determined a crash was deliberately caused, it is not required to be recorded on a UD-10 crash report form.** However, if you capture the information on a UD-10 form for your own investigative purposes, do not submit the report to Lansing.

Deliberate intent is the classification given to the cause of an event which occurs when a person acts deliberately to cause the event or deliberately refrains from prudent acts, which would prevent occurrence of the event.

### **Deliberate Intent Includes:**

*Suicide, self-inflicted injury, homicide, injury or damage purposely inflicted.*

***Please Distribute to All Personnel Who Complete or Review Traffic Crash Reports***

